

Legislation Text

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## TITLE:

Consideration of Eno-Haw Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan, 2020 Update **PURPOSE:** The purpose of this agenda item is for the Town Council to consider adoption of the community's newly updated hazard mitigation plan. Adoption of a plan on five year cycle is required in order for the Town to maintain its eligibility for hazard mitigation grant funds. **DEPARTMENT:** Planning, Fire-Rescue, Public Works/Stormwater Utility

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**INFORMATION:** The current Eno-Haw Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan was adopted by the Carrboro Board of Aldermen on June 22, 2015, and formally approved by FEMA on August 2, 2015. Planning for the current update was initiated in early 2019, as indicated on the project website at <<u>http://www.enohawhmp.com/></u>. The maintenance of a current plan is a requirement for local governments should they need to seek mitigation grant funding. Details of the legal basis for this action, and specifically the use of a risk-based approach to assessing and reducing risks related to natural hazards is the Robert T. Stafford Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Public Law 93-288), as amended by the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000. Beginning in 2004, the Town of Carrboro partnered with Orange County jurisdictions on the development and adoption of a hazard mitigation plans, which was amended and updated in 2010. In 2014, an expanded multijurisdictional planning region was identified, made up of Alamance, Durham, and Orange counties and thirteen towns, cities, and one village, in those counties.

In this update, Person County and the City of Roxboro expand the region to include four counties and 14 municipalities. Section 2.2, beginning on page 6 describes how the plan has changed from the 2015 version, including addressing the following requirements:

Consider changes in vulnerability due to action implementation;

Document success stories where mitigation efforts have proven effective;

Document areas where mitigation actions were not effective;

Document any new hazards that may arise or were previously overlooked;

Incorporate new data or studies on hazards and risks;

Incorporate new capabilities or changes in capabilities;

Incorporate growth and development-related changes to inventories; and

Incorporate new action recommendations or changes in action prioritization.

The following items were also addressed in this 2020 plan update: GIS was used, to the extent data allowed, to analyze the priority hazards as part of the

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vulnerability assessment.

□Assets at risk to identified hazards were identified by property type and values of properties based on NCEM's IRISK Database.

□A discussion on climate change and its projected effect on specific hazards was included in each hazard profile in the risk assessment.

The discussion on growth and development trends was enhanced utilizing 2018 American Community Survey data.

Enhanced public outreach and agency coordination efforts were conducted throughout the plan update process in order to meet the more rigorous requirements of the 2017 CRS Coordinator's Manual, in addition to DMA requirements.

The full plan is available at <<u>http://www.enohawhmp.com/draftDocuments.html></u>. Excerpts of two plan topics and specific hazard mitigation actions for the Town of Carrboro are attached:

*Attachment B* - Public Involvement *Attachment C* - Planning Area Profile *Attachment D* - Mitigation Actions]

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: None associated with plan adoption.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that the Town Council consider adoption of the resolution ( *Attachment A*) adopting the Eno-Haw Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan.